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SUBJECT:MEXICAN ARMS RESTRAINT INITIATIVE

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1. DURING CALL BY AMBASSADOR RICHARDSON ON FONMIN CONSALVI JULY 13, CHARGE TOOK OPPORTUNITY TO RAISE MEXICAN INITIATIVE BRIEFLY. CONSALVI, WHO WAS LEAVING SHORTLY FOR PANAMA, SAID GOV REGARDS MEXICAN INITIATIVE AS WORTHWHILE. HE CONFIRMED, HOWEVER, THAT JULY 1 INFORMATION DOCUMENT IS THE RESULT OF VENEZUELAN EFFORTS, IN COOPERATION WITH STATE DEPT., TO SLOW

DOWN MEXICANS AND MAKE TERMS OF REFERENCE LESS SPECIFIC, AND THEREFORE MORE ACCEPTABLE TO WIDER VARIETY OF LA GOVERNMENTS. CONSALVI DID NOT APPEAR TO BE AWARE OF THE TIMING OF THE PROPOSED MEXICAN EXPLORATORY MEETING, AND THEREFORE WAS UNABLE TO SAY IF VENEZUELA WOULD ATTEND. HE SAID IT SEEMED PREMATURE. AT THAT POINT HE HAD TO LEAVE FOR AIRPORT, BUT EXPRESSEDINTERED IN RENEWING CONTACT WITH THE CHARGE EARLY NEXT WEEK.

2. ANOTHER SENIOR FORMIN OFFICIAL INDICATED HIS VIEW TO POLCOUNS THAT MEXICANS WERE TRYING TO TAKE OVER THE AYACUCHO INITIATIVE
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BY EXPANDING THE PROPOSAL PREMATURELY TO INCLUDE ALL OF LA. SINCE VENEZUELA IS SINCERELY INTERESTED IN PROMOTING THEPRINCIPLE OF ARMS RESTRAINT, GOV FELT BEST TACTIC WAS TO GO ALONG WITH MEXICANS IN AN EFFORT TO GUIDE AND SHAPE INITIATIVE SO AS TO GIVE IT GREATEST POTENTIAL FOR SUCCESS.

3. WE WILL FOLLOW UP WITH FONMIN CONSALVI UPON HIS RETURN NEXT

WEEK AND REPORT.

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